to the spot and investigated the possibility of forming the society, and after him the Assistant Director of Industries and Commerce, Kozhikode, went to the place and made his own investigation. All of them have recommended the establishment of the society and its immediate registration. The Community Project Administration at Palghat has promised a loan of Rs. 25,000 for the society. Considering all these facts, will the Hon. Minister take necessary steps to get the society registered immediately and make it commence functioning before the Reorganization of the States?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: I am obliged to the hon. Member for furnishing all these particulars to the House. I may tell him that the scheme requires further scrutiny which the Director of Industries is doing. I can assure him that we will cause no unavoidable delay in sanctioning the scheme.

Opening of a Sub-Court at Cannanore

* 230 Q.—SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have sanctioned the opening of a Sub-Court at Cannanore in Malabar district; and

(*b*) whether the Madras High Court has made any recommendation in this behalf?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (*a*) & (*b*) The answers to both the clauses are in the negative.

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR: In view of the shifting of the Mangalore Sub-Court to Kasaragod, is there any idea of establishing a Sub-Court in between Kasaragod and Cannanore?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: I have received a representation in the matter and I have referred it to the High Court for their views.

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR: Since there is a possibility of a time-lag after 1st November 1956 as the whole issue will have to be re-studied by the Kerala State Government, will the Madras Government, which is already seized of the issue, think of coming to a decision before 1st November?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: That will be my endeavour. But I will have to be guided by the High Court and I hope to receive their views very soon.

SRI B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA: While dealing with this question, will the Government be pleased to bear in mind the claim of Kasaragod in preference to that of Cannanore in the light of the number of Kanarese people residing in the area and the number of Kanarese documents there?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: In case we decide to have any Sub-Court, we will take this factor into consideration with regard to its location.

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SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : May I know whether the Government have received any representation from Kasaragod to locate the Sub-Court there and, as on a former occasion the demand for a Sub-Court there has been accepted, whether Kasaragod would be given preference?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I have already stated that this aspect also will be borne in mind in coming to a decision with regard to location in case we decide to have another Sub-Court.

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : May I point out that incidentally it will take the wind out of the sails of those who want to promote discontent there on the basis of language?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I do not think I should enter into this controversy. If at all there is any controversy, I leave it to the hon. Members from Malabar and South Kanara to settle it. But this Government will look into the matter with an impartial attitude and come to a just decision.

Promotion of Foresters trained at Dehra Dun

* 231 *Q.*—SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state— 9-20 a.m.

(*a*) whether the Government have received any memorandum in 1955–56 from Foresters who have undergone training at Dehra Dun regarding the percentage of promotion from among them as Rangers; and

(*b*) if so, whether any and if so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) The Government directed that existing arrangements under the rules should continue.

Cases of adulteration of food articles

* 232 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of cases of adulteration that ended in conviction in the year 1955–56; and

(*b*) the steps taken to prevent adulteration?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY : (*a*) 5,729.

(*b*) The Central Prevention of Food Adulteration Act is being strictly enforced in this State to prevent adulteration. Results of prosecution are released to the Press making specific reference to chronic offenders which may act as sufficient deterrents. The public and the trade are also being periodically educated by talks on the evil effects of adulteration of essential foodstuffs.